

NORTH QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 1943

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CELEBRATES

OUR 50TH REUNION!!!!!!

Class of 1943

Graduation Exercises

North Quincy High School

North Quincy, Mass.



SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Wednesday Evening, June 23rd, 1943

at 8:00 o'clock

October 1, 1993

CLASSMATES:

To acquaint you with a few facts concerning the workings of your 1993 Reunion Committee, we present this epistle.

After contacting many members we came up with a hard working crew consisting of:

Gertrude Collins Barry
Mary Lou Glover McDonald
Mae Fillingim D'Angelo
John Gray
Eleanor Rooney Coughlin

to whom we give our heartfelt thanks for their unexcelled accomplishments.

Hours were spent locating and notifying class members, articles were sent to many newspapers in Boston, Quincy, Cape Cod and vicinity; our kind Radio Station W.J.D.A. mentioned us daily to its listening audience. We also thank Channel 3 of the Quincy Cable for putting us on Community news. We still, however, were unable to obtain many addresses. We wish, therefore, to ask you to pass on our apologies to any classmate you might meet who were not contacted.

In view of the many address changes over a five year period, will you kindly detach and save the attached slip, mailing it to us if your address is changed. This will enable your committee to keep an up-to-date mailing list.

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As we go to press Oct. 1st, we wonder about our many classmates who did not return their questionnaires. This information in the 50th Reunion Booklet was compiled from questionnaires returned to us, leaving a possibility of omission due to lack of data.

Sadly, forty-four members are now deceased, some in the service of our country.

The Reunion Committee wishes each of you continued success; and, as our children have become adults before our very eyes we hope these reunions help to recapture the friendships that were ours during those brief school years.

In conclusion, we wish to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all.

Sincerely,

Gertrude Collins Barry

P.S. We will meet every year on the first Saturday in October at Amelia's, Marina Bay, Quincy. Those wishing to attend, contact any of the committee members.

Certificate of Appreciation



Quincy's "Walk of Names"

*This is to certify that a donation has been made which ensures that
at the completion of the "Walk of Names" at the entrance to
Quincy City Hall in 1993, you will find there a brick engraved:*

NO QUINCY HIGH

CLASS OF 1943

Congratulations! You have made history.

James A. Sheetz
Mayor of the City of Quincy

(All bricks become the sole property of the City of Quincy and cannot be removed from their fixed location for any reason.)



Class Reunion

*It was my class reunion, and all through the house,
I checked in each mirror and begged my poor spouse
To say I looked great, that my chin wasn't double,
And he lied through false teeth, just to stay out of trouble.
Said that 'neath my thick glasses, my eyes hadn't changed,
And I had the same figure, it was just a mite rearranged.
He said my skin was still silky, although looser in drape,
Not so much like smooth satin, but more like silk crepe.
I swallowed his words hook, sinker, and line
And entered the banquet feeling just fine.
Somehow I'd expected my classmates to stay
As young as they were on that long-ago day
We'd hugged farewell hugs. But like me, through the years,
They'd added gray to their hair, or pounds to their rears.
But as we shared a few memories and retold some class jokes,
We were eighteen in spirit, though we looked like our folks.
We turned up hearing aid volumes and dimmed down the light,
Rolled back the years, and were young for the night.*

Elizabeth Lucas

DEDICATED

to all the boys from North
who are in uniform

THE CHALLENGE OF "43"

The days slipped quickly onward,
The busy months flew fast;
Six full years of wonder
Swept like a whirlwind past.

We're coming now, "Old Glory,"
We're coming to your aid,
We're coming marching faster,
So your honor will not fade.

We'll be the fighting soldiers,
Keepers of liberty.
We'll fight our best for freedom
Unto eternity.

Mold our learning into bullets,
Our knowledge into guns;
For we must fight with vengeance,
So the battle can be won.

Youth marches firmly onward,
Not bearing death and sorrow.
But filled with dreams and courage,
The builders of tomorrow.

NATALIE FISHER.

Those We Remember

Beverly Burwell	Bill Cahill	John Williams
William Campbell	Guy Capilli	Audrey McGuinness
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Thomas Wallace	Louis Webster	

May they rest in peace

A Class Reunion and you can't
decide
If you should go, or let it ride?
Take it from me, don't let it
slide--GO!

I dressed up in style, wearing
a smile
Walked in with my eyes aglow,
Pinned a badge on my chest,
smiled at a guest
And was stopped by a man
labelled "Joe".

His eyes traveled down with an
earnest frown
Until he quickly spotted my name.
We both decided, and both confided
We definitely looked just the same!

Then I turned to see, coming toward me
A gal in lavender lace.
She gave me a whack on the small of
my back
(In athletics she'd taken first place).

All the girls looked slim, youthful
and trim
I danced with my first wished for beau.
It occurred to me, it can't possibly be
So many years ago!

The boy voted "ready to go the most steady"
Arrived, with no one along.
While that boy in tweed, voted "least to
succeed"
Was a V.I.P. - going strong.

Snaps were exchanged of children who ranged,
From a mere three years through the teens,
I wondered who's free
In the Class of '43.

There were those who came from a spot in Maine,
From Kansas, and towns nearby.
Their voices were strong as they sang the
school son
That announced we were North Quincy High.

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HOW TO KNOW YOU'RE GROWING OLDER

Everything hurts and what doesn't hurt, doesn't work.
The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bifocals.
You feel like the night before, and you haven't been anywhere.
Your little black book contains only names ending in M.D.
You get winded playing chess.
Your children begin to look middle-aged.
You finally reach the top of the ladder, and find it leaning against the wrong window.
You join a health club and don't go.
You begin to outlive enthusiasm.
You decide to procrastinate but then never get around to it.
Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet.
A dripping faucet causes an uncontrollable bladder urge.
You know all the answers, but nobody asks you the questions.
You look forward to a dull evening.
You walk with your head held high trying to get used to your bifocals.
Your favorite part of the newspaper is "25 Years Ago Today."
You turn out the light for economic reasons rather than romantic.
You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.
Your knees buckle and your belt won't.
You regret all those mistakes resisting temptation.
You're 17 around the neck, 42 around the waist, and 96 around the golf course.
You stop looking forward to your next birthday.
After painting the town red, you have to take a long rest before applying a second coat.
Dialing long distance wears you out.
You're startled the first time you are addressed as "old timer".
You remember today, that yesterday was your wedding anniversary.
You just can't stand people who are intolerant.
The best part of your day is over when your alarm clock goes off.
You burn the midnight oil after 9:00 P.M.
Your back goes out more often than you do.
A fortune teller offers to read your face.
Your pacemaker makes the garage door go up when you watch a pretty girl go by.
You get your exercise acting as a pallbearer for your friends who exercise.
You get too much room in the house and not enough in the medicine cabinet.
You sink your teeth into a steak and they stay there.
You give up sex for Lent and your husband (or wife) doesn't know until Good Friday.

Some Over "55" Humor

We were born before television, before penicillin, before polio shots, frozen foods, Xerox, plastic, contact lenses, frisbees and the pill.

We were born before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams, and ballpoint pens, before panty hose, dishwashers, clothes dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes, pampers, disposable bottles, microwaves and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together. How quaint can you be? In our time, closets were for clothes, not for "coming out of". Bunnies were small rabbits, and rabbits were not Volkswagens; designer Jeans were scheming girls named Jean or Jeanne, and having a meaningful relationship meant getting along well with your cousins. We thought fast food was what you ate during Lent, and outer space was the back of the Riviera Theater.

We were before "house husbands", gay rights, computer dating, dual careers, and commuter marriages. We were before day care centers, group therapy and nursing homes. We never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yogurt and guys wearing earrings. For us time sharing meant togetherness - not computers or condominiums. A "Chip" meant a piece of hardwood, hardware meant hardware and software wasn't a word.

In 1943 "made in Japan" meant junk and the term "making out" referred to how you did on an exam. Pizzas, McDonald's, and instant coffee were unheard of.

We hit the scene when there were 5 and 10 cent stores, where you bought things for 5 & 10 cents. For one nickel you could ride a streetcar, make a phone call, buy a coca-cola, an ice cream cone or enough stamps to mail a letter, or two postcards. You could buy a Chevy Coup for \$600, but who could afford one? - a pity too, because gas sold for 11 cents a gallon.

In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, grass was mowed, coke was a cold drink, and pot was something you cooked in, rock music was Grandma's lullaby and aids were helpers in the principal's office.

We were certainly not before the difference between sexes was discovered, but we were surely before the sex change, we made do with what we had, and were the last generation that was "so dumb" as to think you needed a husband to have a baby.

